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CHEMICAL INDUSTRY IMPROVES PRODUCTION

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY COMPLETES PLAN FOR 1948 -- *Leninskoye Znamya*,
No 2, 4 Jan 49

The Ministry of Chemical Industry has announced the fulfillment of the 1948 plan with production 132 percent that of 1947. The industry showed an above-plan profit of 430 million rubles during the first 11 months of 1948.

FERTILIZER FOR SPRING PLANTING -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 34,
11 Feb 49

The Ministry of the Chemical Industry is preparing to ship mineral fertilizer to the southern regions of the USSR for the spring planting season. At present, 21.4 percent more mineral fertilizer is ready for shipment than in the same period of 1948. It will be sent to Central Asia for use in the cotton fields, to the Transcaucasus for the citrus groves, and to the Ukraine for the sugar beet fields.

WOOD PULP COMBINE PLEDGES INCREASE -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 33,
10 Feb 49

The Syava Wood Pulp Combine, Gor'kiy Oblast, has made the following pledges:

To fulfill the 1949 plan by 20 November.

To produce 235 tons of acetic acid and 120 tons of wood alcohol and solvents above the plan.

To reduce the costs of production 3.5 percent above the plan and as a result, save 500,000 rubles.

To complete the 1949 plan for capital investment by

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1 December and to put into operation a shop for the production of carbonizing agents.

To complete the housing construction plan by 15 November and to make available for occupancy 500 square meters of housing space.

CHEMICAL PLANT TO STEP UP PERFORMANCE --- Kommunist, No 33, 10 Feb 49

Alaverdi Chemical Plant has pledged to accelerate the production cycle of working capital by 12 days and thereby release 461,000 rubles by savings in raw materials and basic materials for the use of the national economy.

STALINABAD PLANT INSTALLS NEW PRESS --- Kommunist Tadzhikistana, No 31, 15 Feb 49

A new vacuum conveyor press has been installed in the Stalinabad Ceramics Plant which will increase the processing of paste twofold and considerably raise labor productivity. Tests with this press have given excellent results.

YEREVAN CHEMICAL PLANT INCREASES PRODUCTS -- Kommunist, No 50, 2 Mar 49

The Yerevan Chemical Plant of the Ministry of Local Industry Armenian SSR is speeding up installation of machinery for the production of chromic anhydride and chromic oxide, which will be used for polishing metal products and for chrome plating.

At the same time, the plant is installing equipment in the shop producing industrial rubber articles, to manufacture straps, boots, slippers, galoshes, and other consumers' goods. The new workshops will be put into operation during the second quarter.

RIGA PLANT REPAIRS TIRES -- Sovetskaya Latvija, No 31, 13 Feb 49

The Riga Tire-Repair Plant accepts tires and inner tubes for repair and reconditioning. Orders are accepted from all organizations in Riga. Apply: 44 Gertrudinskaya Street, telephone 75-86; or at the plant's branches in Krustpils, 157 Rishskaya Street, telephone 2-0-3; and in Liepaya, 48 Krasnoarmeyskaya Street, telephone 11-42.

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